NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR ANNUAL EMS AWARDS

The 25th Annual Governor's EMS Awards Banquet will be held on November 16, 2002 at the Anchorage Egan Convention Center and will again provide us with an opportunity to honor individual Alaskans who have saved lives or reduced injuries of fellow Alaskans through heroic actions or meritorious service. Nominations can be made in the following categories:

EMS Citizen Award (person not in the regular line of duty who performs life-saving, limb-saving, or medical techniques in a medical emergency)

EMS Provider Award (medically trained person who performs meritorious service above and beyond expectations of the job)

EMS Administrator or Researcher Award (person who successfully develops a new approach, technique, device, etc. to improve EMS in Alaska and/or an outstanding administrator in an EMS agency or service)

EMS Educator Award (state-certified EMT or ETT Instructor who is dedicated to quality instruction and promoting the best in prehospital care or has made an outstanding contribution to EMS education)

George H. Longenbaugh, MD, Memorial Award (physician who exemplifies leadership and dedication to EMS systems and has significantly promoted the Alaska EMS system)

Melissa Ann Peters, RN, Memorial Award (outstanding nurse who has contributed in a special way to the encouragement of EMS skills, efforts, and education)

Outstanding Ambulance Service Award (for ambulance or first responder group that provides year-round service/gains community support in its service/educational activities)

Special Commendation (for air medical services, injury promotion/prevention, organizations and individuals that support EMS activities)

The deadline for submissions is **Friday**, **September 13**, **2002**. Nominations should be <u>mailed</u> to:

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Further information about the award criteria or procedures can be found at the website for the State EMS Office at http://chems.alaska.gov/ems_awards.htm or by contacting Shelley K. Owens at 465-3028 or by email at shelley_owens@health.state.ak.us.